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Patent Claims

- 5 1. A steering column arrangement for a motor vehicle,  
having a steering column tube unit which is fastened to  
a vehicle body via a bracket (1) and can be adjusted  
for comfort purposes, the bracket (1) having two limbs  
(7a, 7b) and the steering column tube unit being  
10 arranged with a clamping apparatus between the two  
limbs (7a, 7b), characterized in that the limbs (7a,  
7b) are configured with different rigidities.
2. The steering column arrangement as claimed in  
15 claim 1, characterized in that the bracket (1) with the  
limbs (7a, 7b) has a frame (10) and stiffening ribs  
(11) which are assigned to the frame (10).
3. The steering column arrangement as claimed in  
20 claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the bracket (1) is  
of asymmetrical configuration.
4. The steering column arrangement as claimed in one  
of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that the bracket (1)  
25 is of asymmetrical configuration in the region of the  
limbs (7a, 7b).
5. The steering column arrangement as claimed in one  
of claims 2 to 4, characterized in that, in the region  
30 of the limbs (7a, 7b), the stiffening ribs (11) of the  
bracket (1) extend parallel to and/or perpendicularly  
with respect to the limbs (7a, 7b) of the bracket (1).
6. The steering column arrangement as claimed in one  
35 of claims 2 to 5, characterized in that the stiffening  
ribs (11) are at a smaller spacing from one another in  
the region of one limb (7a) than in the region of the  
other limb (7b).

7. The steering column arrangement as claimed in one of claims 1 to 6, characterized in that each limb (7a, 7b) has both a supporting region (9a, 9b) and a bearing  
5 region (8a, 8b).

8. The steering column arrangement as claimed in claim 7, characterized in that reinforcements (13) are provided in the supporting region (9a, 9b) of the limb  
10 (7a, 7b).

9. The steering column arrangement as claimed in claim 7 or 8, characterized in that each limb (7a, 7b) has a smaller width in its supporting region (9a, 9b)  
15 than in its bearing region (8a, 8b).

10. The steering column arrangement as claimed in one of claims 7 to 9, characterized in that one limb (7b) has a recess (14) in its supporting region (9b).  
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11. The steering column arrangement as claimed in claim 7, characterized in that a slot (12) is formed in the bearing region (8a, 8b) of each limb (7a, 7b).

25 12. The steering column arrangement as claimed in claim 11, characterized in that the slot (12) serves to accommodate a fastening element.